

Gentlemen

Nothing but the severe
pressure of the most absolute necessity,
could compel me to offer another appli-
cation to you: but ~~since~~^{as} the efforts I
have made for the support of my family
since my last address to you have proo-
ved abortive, I have now no hope of
relief, but that which is inspired by
a conviction of your benevolence and li-
berality. The Academy which I have
for Two Years conducted with unrear-
ied diligence and the most slavish
attention, (without the least remission
of my parochial duty) has produced

very little more than sufficient to defray
its own expences; consequently my labour
with respect to the object I had in view
has been lost: and having no funds in-
dependent of the Trithons money, I see no
probability of its ever affording the em-
bursement expected.

Under these very painful
circumstances of difficulty and disap-
pointment, & the unavoidable expences
of my large family, now consisting of
sixteen, far exceeding my present sa-
lary, I am obliged ^{to} Gent^{le} to entreat
your aid.

While I had any property of
my own, or could be aided by that
of my Mother, I endeavoured to struggle
with my difficulties in silence; but
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your generosity; trusting that if you
cannot alleviate my embarrassment
you will pardon the liberty I have
taken in communicating them.

With unfeigned respect & esteem

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Y^r mo-hble Serv^t
Jas. Abercrombie

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The Rector and Vestry
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Rev. James
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Genl^l I am under the Necessity of informing
of you that ^{there} is no one appointed to pay me
the annuity since the Death of the Rev^d
Bishop Smith his last payment was the 28
of July last and you may be shure money
or that money has always been what I called
Pocket money Now I feel the want of it
I hope you will Order some Person in Charleston
to pay me as soon as you Receive this I live in
the Country on the Lakeubo River and at the
mouth of the water River please to write to me
by the post the letter to be left with Coln^l
Canterbury post Office in London I have more
to communicate but dont want the world
to know any thing of my Concerns untill
my Death on January next I shall by twenty
years of Age it is a pain to me to write
so conclude with my Respects to you &c

Joseph Dobbins

24 May 1802

Rev^d Bishop White

or the Wardens or Vestry of Christ
Church & St Peter's

Philadelphia.

Sir,

The Mayor of N. B. & C. & S. Peters in this
City have instructed us to make Inquiry concerning
the Issue of a certain Warrant put into your hands
some years ago, relative to the Claim of J. V. & V. &
and heirs of J. late James Bradford. The Money
expected from that source was intended for the
Poor of J. said Churches; & J. V. & V. conceive
that ^{they} ~~and~~ ^{they} was on them to take J. necessary
Measures for J. Recovery of it. But if con-
trary to their expectation an insurmountable
Impediment and have occurred, J. V. & V. will
find themselves bound to enter on their Mi-
nutes a Denial of their liability in J.
kindness.

The red Mr Hobart, who is a bearer of
this Letter, will ~~be~~ transmit to us any
Information ^{which} you may commit to him.

You are Sir, very respectfully,

Your very humble servant,

Charles of Solter
to Will Thompson
July 26. 1802

New York 4th August 1802.

Gentlemen,

Your Favor of the 26th Ultimo was this Day handed to me by the Rev. Mr. Hobart, to whom my Answer is now delivered. I have often applied to the Widow of Cornelius Bradford upon the Subject of the Bond you mention; and she has declared that she would make a Settlement with you; at the same Time expressing the Distress to which she was reduced by a Demand, that she supposed ought to have been addressed to the Family of her Brother in Law; and her Hopes of Indulgence respecting it. — I had flattered myself that an Arrangement had long since taken Place, but as that is not the Case, beg Leave to inclose you the Bond. I shall be willing
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to testify that she did not dispute the Legality
of the Debt. I do not believe therefore, that
it will be finally lost, if she ought to pay
it; but I beg that when an Entry is made
upon your Minutes (if that should be the
Case) you will add that I have had some
Trouble in this Business, but neither had, nor
intended to have, any Advantage by it.

I am, respectfully,
Gentlemen,

Your very humble serv^t

Rich: Harrison

I ought to have added to my Letter
that no suit at Law could be maintained
here upon the Bond in our State Courts
unless D^r Hearsley's Will was proved here
or Administration taken out. Any suit
at any Rate must be in the names of his
Executors or Administrators.

Right Rev^d Wm White Bishop &c
& W^r Thomas Cumpston Ch. Warden }

Right Rev. Bishop White
and W. Thos. Cumpston
Philadelphia.